the blockage of main sewerage line and overflow of gutters and manholes; and

(b) whether Government have received complaints from Members of Parliament in this regard, if so, what are the details thereof and what action has been taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) No, Sir. NDMC has reported that its sewere line in which a sewer connection of Block J-24 Mandir Marg has been made is now functioning properly and there is no blockage in this sewer line.

(b) Yes, Sir. Smt. Omem Moyong Deori, MP Rajya Sabha has drawn attention to this problem in January this year on which a report was called for from the NDMC. According to NDMC, the complaint has since been attended to and this particular sewer line is checked regularly. As and when blockages occur, these are removed immediately.

News received from Non-aligned Information Pool

851. SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
SHRI SHEO KUMAR MISHRA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what is the monthly wordage issued to the Indian subscribers out of the news received from other non-aligned news agencies as part of the Non-aligned Information Pool and what was the average wordage used by the Indian newspapers in year 1985-86; and

(b) what was the monthly average of outflow of pool news from India and what was the monthly average used in other non-aligned countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V. N. GADGIL): (a) The monthly wordage issued to the Indian subscribers out of the news received from other non-aligned news agencies as part of the non-aligned Information Pool during 1985-86 was 2,10,145 words. The average wordage used by the Indian Newspapers was 1,00,600 per month.

(b) The monthly average of out flow of pool wordage from India was 1,99,420. PTI, which operates India News Pool Desk does not have any mechanism to monitor News Pool items published in different countries out of the News Pool items issued by them, from India.

Coverage of sports events by Doordarshan and All India Radio

852. SHRI R. RAMAKRISHNAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what is the policy followed by Doordarshan and All India Radio regarding coverage of sports events; and

(b) what are the reasons for which horse racing events including prestigious ones like the Indian Turf Invitation Cup are not being covered either by Doordarshan or All India Radio?

THE MINISER OF STATE OF THE INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V. N. GADGIL): (a) The coverage of various sports events is done by the media at the National and State levels, keeping in view *inter-alia* the following:

(i) Popularity of the game.

(ii) Listeners' interest.

(iii) Status of tournaments.

(iv) Other programme commitments.

Generally the live coverage of national events is done on all India National hook-up and State level events are covered at local or regional basis.